

NATIONS AND DRINKS

GREATEST DIFFERENCE IN THE USE OF CERTAIN BEVERAGES.

America and Russia Are Widely Apart in the Consumption of Coffee—How Italy and England Differ in the Use of Tea, Beer and Wine.

Nations differ in what they drink far more than in their dress or speech, the use of their armies or the amount of their national debt. In their use of coffee, for example, the American and Russian offer as great a contrast as an octogenarian and a year-old child. On an average, the American drinks as much coffee in one day as the Muscovite in eighty days. In the consumption of tea, beer and wine the English and the Italians differ to a still more startling degree. In one day the average Britisher sips as much tea as the Italian swallows in the same length of time he swallows enough beer to keep the average Italian supplied for six months. Yet, in wine drinking the Italian shows that he can equal eighty-four John Bulls.

According to the latest statistics of the department of commerce at Washington, it appears that the American is very temperate when compared with some of his European brothers. He drinks less beer than the Englishman, the German or the Austrian. In the use of spirituous liquors he falls still further behind and finds himself outdistanced by the Austrian, the Hungarian, the German and the Frenchman. He also ranks fifth among the nations as a wine drinker. The Frenchman, the Italian, the Austrian and the German go ahead of him.

The American, far more than many Europeans, seeks refreshment and renewed energy in the "cup which invigorates, but does not intoxicate." Coffee and tea are his favorite beverages. On an average he drinks more coffee than the native of any country of the old world, and when classed with Europeans he is surpassed only by the English in his use of tea.

The comparative temperance of the American, furthermore, would seem to be little endangered by the great immigration hither at the present time of Russians and Italians. In the use of spirits the Italian is at the very bottom of the list of Europeans. He also drinks less beer than any of his neighbors. He drinks considerable wine, but it is a wine that contains little alcohol, and even in this category he falls some distance behind the French. The Russian ranks sixth in the consumption of spirits, and he drinks one-thirtieth as much beer as the Englishman. He also uses so little wine that not even an estimate is obtainable of how much he does drink.

Should an American, an Englishman, a Frenchman, an Austrian, a German, an Italian and a Russian sit down to a table together and order drinks in a quantity that would show the relative consumption of these beverages by their respective peoples, some would get enough for a bath, while others would obtain only a few swallows. If they should take tea, for instance, the Englishman would find himself confronted with 1,800 cups, the American with 400, the Russian with 275, the German with 36, the Austrian with 20, the Frenchman with 18 and the Italian with only 1.

If the tea should prove unsatisfactory and the party order beer, the Englishman again would prove himself the heaviest drinker. He would be found to rank considerably ahead of the German, who is generally supposed to swallow most of this beverage. He would get 175 glasses, while the German would take 150, the Austrian 100, the American 90, the Frenchman 67, the Russian 5 and the Italian only 1.

In case the weather should turn suddenly cold and the little assemblage decided that "something hot" would be better and every one order spirits, the Austrian would then outclass all the others. Nevertheless he would not distance his rivals to any great extent. It would be found that liquor suits the taste of the various drinkers far more evenly than any of the other beverages ordered. The Austrian would, for example, take 9 glasses, the German 6, the Frenchman 5, the American 4, the Englishman 3 and the Russian 1. Though the American's glasses would contain a trifle more than the Englishman's, and the Englishman's "a bit" more than the Russian's, while the Italian would satisfy himself with 1.

Should the liquor prove too hot without a weaker drink afterward and all agree on wine for their farewell toast the Frenchman would then "outswallow" his companions. His order would call for 160 glasses, while the Italian would content himself with 84, the American with 17, the German with 6, the Russian with 1 1/4 glasses and the Englishman with 1.

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the party should think some coffee would steady their nerves, the American would at last be found in the lead. He would ask for 60 cups, while the German would order 32, the Frenchman 21, the Austrian 10, the Italian 6, the Englishman 3 and the Russian only 1.—New York Tribune.

Abscess.

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Paley on Private Property.

Archdeacon Paley, who died on May 25, 1805, wrote "Evidences of Christianity." The archdeacon likened "the divine right of kings" to "the divine right of constables" and satirized the institution of private property by the simile of a hundred pigeons in a field of corn. If, "instead of each picking where and what it liked, taking just as much as it wanted and no more," ninety-nine of them were to reserve only the chaff and refuse for themselves and heap up the rest for "the weakest, perhaps worst, pigeon of the flock," that, said Paley, would be just like human private property.

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"Are your domestic relations agreeable?" he asked suddenly, turning an inquisitive gaze on his companion.

"Yes, they are," snapped the grumbler. "It's my wife's relations that make all the trouble."

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An Anxious Father.

Sue Deering—I'm afraid papa was angry when you asked him for me, was he, Jack? Jack Hollow—Not at all. He asked me if I knew any more respectable men who would be likely to marry your five sisters if properly coaxed.

Men and Women.

He—I think every woman is entitled to be considered man's equal. She—Well, if she is willing to bring herself down to his level I don't see why she shouldn't be allowed to pose as his equal.—Illustrated Bits.

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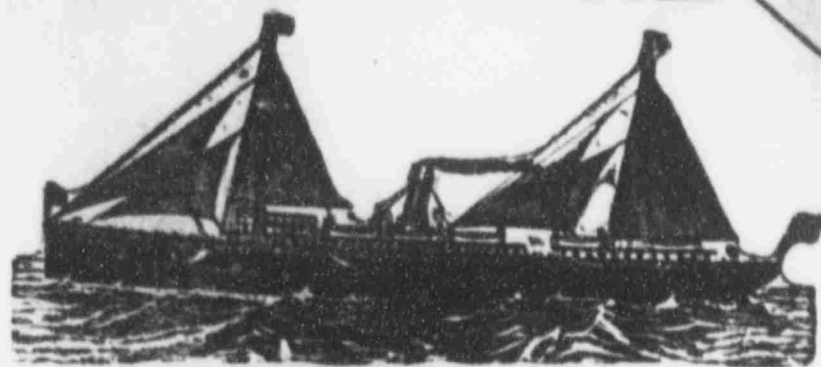
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